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AIKERF Activities, 15 April to 15 May 1954

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Headquarters' Action Required

None. For information and file.

Synopsis

AIKERF's welfare activities at  
Lavrion and Syros, and his instructions  
for cooperation with [ ]

Account of Developments

1. [ ] continued to maintain contact with AIKERF on a daily basis since AIKERF reports regularly to the HTGRUBBY studio and sits in on the conferences where he reports on his activities and on his share of the monitoring of the various radio transmissions and foreign newspapers. AIKERF has also assumed responsibility of picking up QKPALING and other Albanian publications such as Malament's recent pamphlets and distributing them on a regular basis.
2. AIKERF spends the major portion of his time, of course, handling the thousand and one requests for aid by Albanian refugees. It seems the requests for aid continue to exceed the meager welfare fund at the disposal of the Athens branch of HTNEIGH, but AIKERF has been given to understand KUBARK, and consequently HTNEIGH, is not a welfare organization. However, as a result of [ ]'s contacts and efforts with U.S.E.P., many of the refugees' requests received some consideration.
3. HTNEIGH gained prestige among the refugees at Lavrion (and no doubt also some at Syros) this month as a result of gifts of flour and canned food given by KUBARK in the name of HTNEIGH. This activity has been covered by separate dispatch.

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4. AIKERF paid a two day visit to Syros and reported that in general the refugees were better off at that site than at Lavrion because they were not so crowded and enjoyed more freedom in leaving the camp. AIKERF submitted a full report on his contacts there, in which he lists all the Albanian refugees and their respective party affiliation and activities. He was also able to help some of the more needy cases financially and requested special consideration from the Greek authorities for some of the refugees needing medical attention. He reported discipline among the Albanians at the camp was excellent, with the exception of Captain Kotsis (who came out with the Nikolla brothers) who sometimes gets drunk and spouts Communist propaganda. The camp authorities have had to resort to periodic solitary confinement for Kotsis.

5. [ ] also met with Figret Dine on two occasions. On the first, Dine's PRQ I and PRQ II were filled out, and on the second meeting which Dine had requested, he merely wanted to find out if there was anything new in Rome especially on the split up of the royalist party which was a matter that greatly troubled him. Daytopher was not able to help him much on this matter.

6. [ ] contacted AIKERF on 10 May at the HTNEIGH office to review several outstanding matters. AIKERF was alerted that as the local HTNEIGH representative he might expect to be contacted by [ ]. [ ] explained why [ ] did not want him to have blanket authority to come and go to Syros. [ ] also asked AIKERF to trace the basis of his relationship with Mehmet Kuci, whose recent telephone call to AIKERF from Lavrion had been monitored by [ ]. AIKERF explained that Kuci was an old family friend, but that AIKERF had cut off the relationship in the past few months as Kuci had gotten deeply involved in politics since his arrival against AIKERF's advice and because Kuci and all the dissident XMALEDICTS turned their backs when the HTNEIGH representatives delivered the flour to Lavrion at Greek Easter.

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